

IN THE DRAWINGS

Proposed changes to Figs. 1 and 4 are submitted herewith,
with a Letter to the Official Draftsman.

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication in the Office Action that claims 1-15 are allowable.

Proposed changes to Figs. 1 and 4 are submitted herewith to overcome the objections thereto. The box components illustrated in Figs. 1 and 4 have been amended to contain identifying labels.

A new Abstract is submitted herewith as required by the Office Action.

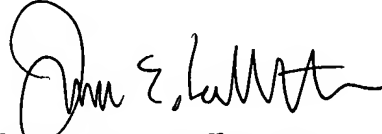
The specification has been amended to include section headings, as requested in the Office Action. No new matter is believed to be introduced by the amendment of the specification.

Claims 1-6 and 8-15 have been amended for clarity so as to overcome the objections and indefiniteness rejections applied thereto. Where necessary, claim elements have been amended to be in non-means-plus-function format, so that all elements and steps are not subject to construction under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph. Since the amended claims have not been narrowed, no estoppel is deemed attachable thereto.

In view of the above, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

If any issues remain which may best be resolved through a telephone communication, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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